

As a man of great consciousness, in the late fifties he turned his attention to the civil rights movement and was arrested twice during protest marches. These acts of courage scared away major record labels, but with the assistance of Frank Sinatra he was able to sign a contract with the Reprise Record label in the early sixties.

Although, with the introduction of rock and roll his career as a jazz recording artist slowed, he performed through the Nineties.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that all my colleagues join me in celebrating the life and the music of Al Hibbler, a jazz legend that gained success against all odds.

TRIBUTE TO VALERIE KNAPP, RACHEL KENNEDY AND AMANDA HANDRICH

HON. RAY LAHOOD

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 2, 2001

Mr. LAHOOD. Mr. Speaker, today I would like to salute three outstanding young women who have been honored with the Girl Scout Gold Award by Girl Scouts-Kickapoo Council in Peoria, Illinois. They are Valerie Knapp, Rachel Kennedy, and Amanda Handrich. They are being honored on May 6, 2001 for earning the highest achievement in U.S. Girl Scouting. The Girl Scout Gold Award symbolizes outstanding accomplishments in the areas of leadership, community service, career planning, and personal development. The award can be earned by girls aged 14–17, or in grades 9–12.

Girl Scouts of the U.S.A., an organization serving over 2.5 million girls, has awarded more than 20,000 Girl Scout Gold Awards to Senior Girl Scouts since the inception of the program in 1980. To receive the award, a Girl Scout must earn four interest project patches, the Career Exploration Pin, the Senior Girl Scout Leadership Award, and the Senior Girl Scout Challenge, as well as design and implement a Girl Scout Gold Award project. A plan for fulfilling these requirements is created by the Senior Girl Scout and is carried out through close cooperation between the girls and an adult Girl Scout volunteer.

Valerie Knapp began working toward the Girl Scout Gold Award in 1999. She completed her project by planning and implementing a campout for 5th and 6th grade girls.

Rachel Kennedy began working toward the Girl Scout Gold Award in 2000. She completed her project by helping her youth group plan and implement a Vacation Bible School for children in Houston, Texas.

Amanda Handrich began working toward the Girl Scout Gold Award in 1997. She completed her project by providing clothing and toys for Christmas for less fortunate children.

Mr. Speaker, I believe these three young women should be given the public recognition due them for their significant service to their communities and their country.

ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL

HON. THOMAS H. ALLEN

OF MAINE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 2, 2001

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, on April 23, 2001, Altrusa International, Inc. of Greater Biddeford-Saco, Maine, USA, celebrated its 25th anniversary of service to its communities. This service group consists of professional women and men from the congressional district who have generously volunteered their energies and expertise in a wide variety of worthy activities.

Many of their projects have emphasized literacy, including "A Mile of Books," which literally offered a mile of books for children in Head Start to take home and keep. They also provide financial assistance to "Literacy Volunteers" and work with families through "First Teachers," a program designed to improve the literacy skills of entire families. In addition, the group has helped innumerable people in the community through its hospice volunteers, knitters group, meal program for the homeless, and financial support for the area's battered women's shelter and YMCA.

This incomplete list of the many projects of Altrusa International, Inc. of Greater Biddeford-Saco illustrates the depth and breadth of its members' involvement in the community. At a time when few Americans seem to find the time or interest to share the joys and burdens of their fellow citizens, this selfless engagement is most heartening. These volunteers have learned firsthand that giving of themselves is the greatest gift of all.

TRIBUTE TO COMMANDER DAVID BOLTON, SR.

HON. CARRIE P. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 2, 2001

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay a special tribute to the outstanding military career of Commander David Bolton, Sr. I am proud to recognize Commander Bolton for his exceptional military service to our country and for his humanitarian achievements.

During his career Commander Bolton was known as hard working, conscientious in his profession, highly intelligent, keenly alert, progressive, firm in his convictions, and congenial. He was truly a credit to the military and to our country.

Commander Bolton retired from the Department of Navy with an honorable discharge on September 1, 1964 after serving 22 years. During his career he received numerous decorations including the World War II Victory Medal, and American Theater Ribbon, and National Defense Service Medal. Upon his retirement from military service Commander Bolton received an Individual Citation for outstanding performance of legal duties while in the Navy from the Secretary.

Commander Bolton was an attorney throughout his career and served as Judge Advocate for war crime trials. He prosecuted Japanese war criminals, investigated war crimes cases and conducted extensive re-

search in international law. He also served as Division Legal Officer for the Third Marine Division on Okinawa and in Japan; Acting Director of the Appellate Defense Division in Washington; Command Legal Officer, Staff Legal Officer in Senior Commands; and Acting Legal Officer of the Sixth Naval District.

In addition to his distinguished legal career, Commander Bolton was a great humanitarian. During his stay in Japan, he became very active in the plight of the children at the Cushin Gakuen Orphanage. After visiting the orphanage, he found the children and the facility in great need. He worked hard to raise the funds needed for clothing and medical supplies for the orphans and to repair the facility housing the children. Through this experience, Commander Bolton became an advocate for the children of the Cushin Gakuen Orphanage and helped to improve their social development through commitment of his time during non-duty hours. Commander Bolton was cited by the Japanese government for efforts on behalf of Japanese children.

Mr. Speaker, Commander Bolton is now 90 years old and his distinguished career has been an inspiration to countless individuals and his humanitarian efforts touched the lives of so many. Our nation thanks him for his service.

A TRIBUTE TO RICHARD M. TYNDALL

HON. MIKE MCINTYRE

OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 2, 2001

Mr. MCINTYRE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Richard Melvin Tyndall of Roseboro, North Carolina for his distinguished service and courageous leadership on behalf of the citizens of this great nation.

As a World War II veteran, Richard Tyndall is an excellent example of all the men and women in uniform that have sacrificed to defend the values this nation holds dear. With over two years on the front line in England, Tunisia, and Germany, he received seven Battle Stars from the United States Army and the Le Croux De Gout Honor by the French Army for his integrity and courage.

Richard Tyndall's valiant actions and his outstanding service to this nation serve to remind us of the gratitude we all feel toward this brave individual, along with all other servicemen and women who have served as guardians of this great country.

President John F. Kennedy once said, "For those to whom much is given, much is required. And when at some future date when history judges us, recording whether in our brief span of service we fulfilled our responsibilities to the state, our success or failure, in whatever office we hold, will be measured by the answers to four questions: First, were we truly men of courage . . . Second, were we truly men of judgment . . . Third, were we truly men of integrity . . . Finally, were we truly men of dedication?"

Richard Tyndall can truthfully answer each of these questions in the affirmative. He is indeed a man of courage, judgment, integrity, and dedication. May the actions of this brave individual live on in our hearts, and may God's strength and peace always be those who have fought for this great nation.